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MEMORANDUM FOR THE RECORD

**SUBJECT: FE Area Briefing of Messrs. Walter Pincus
and Roland Paul, Senate Foreign Relations Ad
Hoc Subcommittee (Symington Subcommittee)**

1. Today Mr. Walter Pincus and Mr. Roland Paul, staff personnel of the Senate Foreign Relations Committee Ad Hoc Subcommittee on United States Agreements and Commitments Abroad, visited the Headquarters Building for area and country briefings prior to their trip to the Far East starting on 26 June. Anchorman for the briefings conducted by OCI was [redacted] who was assisted by Messrs. [redacted] [redacted] Also in attendance were Messrs. Maury and [redacted]

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2. [redacted] led off by introducing himself and the other briefers and explaining their expertise in the field of current FI information and by advising that the briefings would cover each country requested, in order, with regard to political and governmental structures with secondary emphasis on economic and other considerations, but that the briefings would not deal with American policy or overseas base considerations. This format was followed throughout the briefings. Communist China, Formosa, Japan, Okinawa, Korea, the Philippines, Thailand, and Laos were covered. Although detailed in nature, questioning during the presentation was related to the information being provided and resulted in a very cordial and relaxed session.

3. Upon departure the comment was made by Mr. Paul that they would like to have had a similar briefing prior to their European and Middle East trip, but due to lack of experience they had failed to request it. It was also noted with appreciation that the coverage provided had been more complete than they had anticipated. The offer was made by Mr. Maury to provide any further information that might be desired.

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4. All questions posed during the session were answered.
No followup is required on today's briefing.

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